DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



September 10, 2002

REFUGEE COORDINATOR LETTER NO. 02-20

TO: COUNTY REFUGEE COORDINATORS

This letter is to advise counties of their final Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2002 Targeted Assistance (TA) Formula Funding Program allocations. The federal Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) published the Final Notice of Availability of Formula Allocation Funding for FY 2002 Targeted Assistance Grants for Services to Refugees in Local Areas of High Need in the *Federal Register* on September 10, 2002. Counties are encouraged to review the Final Notice. A copy of it may be found on the Funding Opportunities Page of the Refugee Programs Branch (RPB) web site at http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/refugeeprogram/.

The final FFY 2002 TA grant for California is \$5,704,294, an increase of \$159,743 from the amount indicated in the Proposed Notice. The state's allocation represents the sum of allocations to all eligible California counties. County allocation amounts are determined by ORR according to a formula based on each eligible county's proportion of refugee arrivals during FFYs 1997 through 2001. As noted in the proposed allocation letter, FFY 2002 represents the beginning of a new three-year period for which ORR has determined the eligibility of counties to receive TA funding. As in previous years, a county was determined eligible if it ranked among the top 50 areas in the nation according to a formula which takes into account 1) the number of refugee arrivals into the county during the most recent five-year period (FFY 1997 through FFY 2001) and 2) the five-year refugee arrival population as a percentage of the overall county population, with a relative weighting of two to one given to arrivals figures. In addition, this year, counties which did not meet the above criteria but which had received 3,000 or more refugee arrivals during the same five-year period were also determined eligible to receive TA funds. As a result of this determination, two previously eligible California counties – Fresno and Yolo – no longer qualify to receive TA funding. Six previously eligible California counties continue to be eligible: Los Angeles, Orange, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco and Santa Clara. These counties will remain qualified through FFY 2004. The ORR will not consider the eligibility of additional counties for TA funding until FFY 2005. Please note that counties population estimates have been adjusted to include data submitted by counties on persons granted asylum within the 60-month period ending September 30, 2001 and/or those certified as victims of a severe form of trafficking to whom Refugee Program services were provided in the past year. County allocations are shown in Column 6 of the enclosed spreadsheet.

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The state is required to submit, on behalf of all eligible counties, an application for TA formula allocation funding. During the next several weeks, the RPB will be preparing the state's application which is due to ORR by October 10, 2002. The application must include, for each eligible county, proposed goals for each of the six ORR performance outcome measures: Entered Employments, 90-Day Employment Retentions, Cash Assistance Reductions due to Employment, Cash Assistance Terminations due to Employment, Average Hourly Wage at Employment Entry, and Job Placements with Available Health Benefits. *In order to ensure that the state's application is submitted in a timely manner, counties must complete the enclosed TA Annual Goal Plan for FFY 2002 and submit it to the RPB by close of business on September 20, 2002.* Completed TA Annual Goal Plans should be faxed to the attention your assigned county Operations Analyst at (916) 654-7187 or e-mailed to their attention at RPB@dss.ca.gov.

Should you have questions regarding the allocations, please contact Phyllis Iwasaki, Manager of the Community Development and Fiscal Services Bureau at (916) 654-2387 or Brad Elftmann of her staff at (916) 654-7250. Questions regarding the TA Annual Goal Plan should be directed to your RPB Operations Analyst.

Sincerely,

Original signed by: Phyllis Iwasaki for Thuan Nguyen on 10/10/02

THUAN NGUYEN, Chief Refugee Programs Branch

Enclosures

FINAL TARGETED ASSISTANCE (TA) FORMULA FUNDING ALLOCATIONS FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2002

\$

5,704,294

(1)	(2)	(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)		(7)		(8)	
County	Allocation	Total Five-Year (ORR Allocation Based on Arrivals		State Administration		County Allocation		County Administration		Services	
		FFYs 1997 - 2001			@	5% Maximum			(@ 15% Maximum			
Los Angeles	TAFO0201	15,547	\$	1,952,977	\$	97,649	\$	1,855,328	\$	278,299	\$	1,577,029	
Orange	TAFO0202	3,820	\$	479,859	\$	23,993	\$	455,866	\$	68,380	\$	387,486	
Sacramento	TAFO0203	10,719	\$	1,346,494	\$	67,325	\$	1,279,169	\$	191,875	\$	1,087,294	
San Diego	TAFO0204	5,461	\$	685,998	\$	34,300	\$	651,698	\$	97,755	\$	553,943	
San Francisco	TAFO0205	3,991	\$	501,340	\$	25,067	\$	476,273	\$	71,441	\$	404,832	
Santa Clara	TAFO0206	5,872	\$	737,626	\$	36,881	\$	700,745	\$	105,112	\$	595,633	
Total		45,410	\$	5,704,294	\$	285,215	\$	5,419,079	\$	812,862	\$	4,606,217	

State Administration Funds \$ 285,215 Local Assistance Funds \$ 5,419,079 Total California TA Award \$ 5,704,294

Notes:

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 93.584

Grant Award Period/Service Period: 10/1/02 - 9/30/04

¹ Includes Refugees, Entrants, Havana Parolees and Asylees. (For FFYs 1999 through 2001, Havana Parolees are based on actual data; for FFYs 1997 and 1998, parolees are prorated based on each county's proportion of the entrant population.) Data on asylees is based on information submitted by counties on asylees served during the past year.

FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2002 TARGETED ASSISTANCE ANNUAL GOAL PLAN

Data are: (Check one) E	Unduplicate		Alloca	ation Amoun	t \$		
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RCA							
Non Cash Aided							
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Full Time							
Part Time							
CalWORKs (TANF)							
Full Time							
Part Time							
RCA							
Full Time							
Part Time							
Non Cash Aided							
Full Time							
Part Time							
If you are using the number denominator for # 2 and #3		istance re	cipients pla	ced in employ	ment as the	•	
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2. Cash Assistance Terminations - Total							
CalWORKs (TANF)							
RCA							
3. Cash Assistance Reductions - Total							
TANF							
RCA							
4. Average Hourly Wage Placement							
5. Employment Retentions - Total							
CalWORKs (TANF)							
RCA							
Non Cash Aided							
6. Entered Employment with Health Benefits							

^{***}Please provide narrative comments, if any, on a separate sheet.